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Summary - The Soviet press and home radio appeared to be paying little attention to the Cuban crisis during the week ending November 2, possibly waiting for developments. The front page was devoted to Friday, November 2, in Moscow, except for Mikoyan's departure for Hanoi, which was front page news. Next week's anniversary of the October revolution was also given considerable space on an inside page. On November 2, there was little restraint of the White House on press conferences, probably due to the "bellicose speeches from the U.S. delegation." Jamming of VOA news programs continued to be rather widespread, apparently little more sensitivity shown toward Cuban news than toward other subjects.

1. Pravda Reports US "Torn Between Coexistence and Aggression" - In effect, an article for Pravda by Soviet Ambassador to Washington, Sergey Vishnevskiy, id. on Nov. 2, gave a strong warning against common sense and recklessness of American policy. It pointed out that people were beginning to realize that violation of principles of international law would be fatal to America's foreign policy. Vishnevskiy said the United States was torn between its desire for joint efforts toward peaceful cooperation and its desire to maintain its military strength. He refuted recent statements among "influential Washington circles" that virtually acceptable compromises would not only settle the situation in the Caribbean but also lead to other settlements. He spoke favorably of the restrained attitude of the White House at present in contrast to the "warlike speeches" of the camp of extreme reaction.

2. Janma - On November 2 jamming of VOA news programs continued at a high rate. News items concerning other parts of the world were jammed almost as those concerning Cuba with apparently little distinction. Some feature items were allowed through but they did not concern Cuba.

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WHAT THE SOVIET PEOPLE ARE BEING TOLD THROUGH THE SOVIET PRESS AND RADIO  
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1. Summary - The Soviet press and home radio appeared to be playing down the Cuban crisis as the week came to a close, possibly waiting for Mikoyan's visit to Cuba to produce a further lessening of tensions. The front page of Izvestiya for Friday, November 2, contained nothing on Cuba except [ ? ] paragraphs on Mikoyan's departure for Havana, while the front page of Pravda featured the Mars probe and next week's anniversary of the October Revolution. In a rather mild article on an inside page of the November 2 Pravda, [ ? ] particular restraint of the White House at present, was favorably contrasted to the "bellicose speeches from the U.S. reactionaries. Soviet jamming of VOA news programs continued to be rather widespread but with apparently little more sensitivity shown toward Cuban news than toward [ ? ] on other subjects.
2. Pravda Reports US "Torn Between Common Sense and Recklessness. 1 non-featured article for Pravda of November 2, the editor's Washington correspondent, Sergey Vishnevskiy said that there was "now a struggle between common sense and recklessness over the Cuban crisis in which a [ ? ]ight people here realize here that the victory of common sense would be in the vital interest of the American people." Vishnevskiy spoke of the [ ? ]ing among Americans for joint efforts toward constructive relations stemming from Khrushchev's message to President Kennedy and also referred to agreement among "influential Washington commentators" that mutually acceptable compromises would not only settle the tension in the Caribbean but also lead to other settlements. He spoke favorably of the restrained attitude of the White House at present in contrast to the "warlike speeches in the camp of extreme action."
3. Jamming - On November 2 jamming of VOA news programs continued at a high rate. News items concerning other parts of the world were jammed as well as those concerning Cuba with apparently little discrimination. Some feature items were allowed through but they did not concern Cuba.